

REMARKS

In the Final Office Action, the Examiner renewed his rejection of claim 11, and objected to claims 7 and 8.

By this amendment, Applicants have cancelled claim 11. The rejection of claim 11, therefore, is moot.

Applicants have also amended claims 7 and 8. In light of these amendments, Applicants respectfully request the objection to claims 7 and 8 be removed.

In view of the foregoing remarks, Applicants request the Examiner's reconsideration and reexamination of the application, and the timely allowance of the pending claims.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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